

Howland Wood - Curatorial

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[Numismatist

1913-1937

Philadelphia, PA]

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HOLDER OF THE
GREAT STICKNEY COL-
LECTION SALE,
LARGEST IN AMERICA,
TOTAL, \$37,839.21

HENRY CHAPMAN

Numismatist

NO. 1348 PINE STREET

PHILADELPHIA

REGISTERED CABLE ADDRESS: "MONETA, PHILADELPHIA."

BELL PHONE, WALNUT 2019.

DEALER IN
AMERICAN
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ESPECIALLY
IN FINE AND RARE
SPECIMENS,
PAPER MONEY,
NUMISMATIC BOOKS.

COLLECTIONS
CATALOGUED FOR
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APPRAISEMENTS
MADE FOR EXECUTORS
AND COLLECTORS.

I OBTAINED
THE WORLD'S RECORD
PRICE FOR A SINGLE
COIN, \$6,200

5-25-1913

Dear Howland.

I Enclose 2 Blacksmiths in Steigerwald

Dale (next month) and wish to know if you list them
in your book - if so the number? My Stereographs not

here today & not wishing to wait with you as I cannot

tell where in the cases your book is. Do you consider these

as belonging to the Series & to Canada?

Would you like some Oriental Coins on app.?

Wishing you success and a Happy Life in your

new Engagements.

I remain
Very respectfully
Henry Chapman

Stamp for reply enclosed

May 26th, 1913

Dear Chapman, -

Your favor just at hand with the two copper pieces, and I am herewith returning the pieces. The anchor H 1816 piece I do not consider Canadian. Scotts Copper Coin Cat. 1893 ed. places it in the doubtfuls see page 8 no. 43. No Canadian collector however has recognized it. Davies in his 19th Century Tokens lists it as English and I think illustrates it. It is not a Blacksmith anyway as it has none of the requirements. The piece is scarce though not rare, I have had several though if I remember rightly the H on your piece is considerably larger than on the pieces I have seen

The other piece is interesting, and although it fulfills most of the requirements of a Blacksmith I would hesitate to place it in the list. In some ways it looks like a crude copy of preton 921, this would be too far East for a blacksmith. I consider the piece a good find and it has just as much chance of being Canadian as anything else.

I do not think that I could use any Oriental coins just now as I have a little surprise for you. I am planning to get married in June to Elizabeth Marvin, daughter of the late Dr. Marvin. We are simply going to have a quiet wedding on the 18.

Kindly remember me to Mrs Chapman and believe me,

Very sincerely

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January 27, 1916.

Howland Wood, Esq.,

Dear Mr. Wood;

I do not know any more regarding the medal than was stated in the catalogue. The two half-tones I was going to use in the Numismatist and elsewhere, and as they cost me \$12, and I sold you the medal so cheap, I think they should be worth \$5 to you.

Very truly yours,

Henry Chapman

March 6, 1916.

Mr. Henry Chapman

1348 Pine Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

The rubbing of the Annam coin at hand. I have
this so do not care for it.

I have sent the rubbing to Eohn Reilly as he
my want it.

Very truly yours,

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COIN, \$3,200

June 30, 1916.

Howland Wood, Esq.,

Dear Howland;

I thank you very much for giving my name to a gentleman who had two Massachusetts notes for sale. I wrote to him last night and if at any time you have any Colonial notes you could sell me, I will be very glad to purchase them.

I have just purchased medal given for Heroic action by officers and men of the Hudson. It is a perfect specimen but ~~which~~ which had not been awarded, as it has not the name on the edge and is without the clasp or suspender. Obverse, view of Mercury and in the background the "Hudson" rescuing the "Winslow," in exg. GARDENAS MAY 11, 1898. Reverse, JOINT RESOLUTION OF CONGRESS, etc. and nude figure of female, price \$25. Will be glad to send it on approval if you wish it.

Very truly yours,

Henry Chapman

July 1st, 1916.

Mr. Henry Chapman,
1348 Pine Street,
Philadelphia.

Dear Henry:-

We have not the Hudson medal you mention. Whether I can persuade some one to buy this for us remains to be seen. If I had the piece here I probably could do more than without the piece, therefore as you offered to send it on approval, I wish you would.

Thanking you for offering this, I remain,

Yours very truly,

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COIN, \$6,200

July 3, 1916.

Mr. Howland Wood,

Dear Howland;

I enclose you herewith, the medal quoted you and trust it will meet with
your approval.

Very truly yours,

Henry Chapman *H. C.*

Cuba. Medal given for heroic action by officers and men of the "Hudson."
postage,

htsx \$25.00
.14
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July 12, 1916.

Howland Wood, Esq.,

Dear Howland;

I have just received from China, three of the silver dollars with bust of Li-hung-chang, vice-President. The statement was made to me that only two hundred were struck and the party had to pay \$3, a piece for them in China. I can offer you one at \$4.50, and will send it on approval if you wish it.

Very truly yours,

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July 14, 1916.

Howland Wood, Esq.,

In account with Henry Chapman.

China. Li-hung-chang, vice-President. Dollar.
postage,

rsx	\$4.50
	.14
	\$4.64

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Howland Wood Esq

8.9.15.6

Dear Howland:

Here is a note for Mr M Lockman
for President of A. N. A. he deserves it & hopes
that as he is going the compliment will be a source
of pleasure to him.

The Enslaved since Mr Boss wants it nothing so if you
more value it you allow me what profit you can - if no
more worth than to keep it. I do not like its appearance.

- it seems like a no how I see it some years ago.

Hope your son escapes this terrible epidemic
- Mrs C & children are at Cape May all well.

Yours truly

Henry Chapman

August 10, 1916.

Mr. Henry Chapman

1348 Pine Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Chapman:-

Your favor received enclosing the Indian gold coin. It is a piece in imitation of a half mohur of Akbar. These have been made in India for years and sold to the natives as talisman, as there is an abiding faith that the square coins of Akbar, if worn ward off ills.

I remain,

Very truly yours,

August 22, 1916.

Mr. Henry Chapman

1348 Pine street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Chapman;-

Please excuse my tardiness in communicating with you further about the Indian and you sent me a while ago.

The summer time is a mighty bad time to get in touch with our members. I have not been able to interest anyone in purchasing this for us and am consequently returning it.

I beg to thank you again for submitting this to us and remain,

Yours very sincerely,

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BELL PHONE, LOCUST 6755

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10.30.1918

Dear Howland.

In that album of Colonial notes you once exhibited to me was a 4^d 1744 June 20. Mass. - if I am right this denomination I have not in my coll. & as I am striving to make it as complete as possible - would the Society consider an exchange of a very fine (Equal condition to yours I think) 2^d same issue, which I have in duplicate - together with it I would give a bonus of some other notes not in the Society's collection and as I take it this 2^d is equally valuable and as interesting to them. If I had 2 9^s & you had 2^d I would consider trade a fair one. My bill measures $4\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$ inches. To what Committee can I make this offer? I submit my note for their inspection. Please have enclosed letter to Mr. Wyman. Have you 40^s/Mar 1708 No 21st - I have a beauty & would swap - but my note has Counterfeit written across it which I find often done in these old bills - I believe it to be OK. - How many it is the 1708 so marked - not the 1744. Received in due return. Wish you would return the Bowie Coll. as there are items in it I wish for a customer. Yours truly Henry Chapman

Would you like an invoice of the Bowie Coll.?

To Mr. Howland Wood,

BY HENRY CHAPMAN

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No. 1348 PINE STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

11 Mo. 13 1918

THESE COINS ARE SENT ON CONSIGNMENT AND APPROVAL AND THE TITLE IN THE CONSIGNOR DOES NOT PASS UNTIL THEY ARE PAID FOR

No.		Dolls.	Cents	No.		Dolls.	Cents
K 1	Armenia, Leon III. King as Archer. jrs	2	50		Dear Sir,		
2	Medallion of Saragossa, Suleiman al Must- tain. te		70		Mr. Newell advises us that		
3	Abbasee Caliphs, Copper. rs		50		he has sent the coins as per invoice		
✓ 4	Morocco, Mouel oide Mohammed, silver Rare. tex		2		herewith to you on approval. Hope they		
✓ 5	Singapore, Bust of Christ.	2	50		will prove of interest to you.		
		8	20		Yours very truly,		

I am keeping
Armenia @ 250
Morocco 200
Singapore 250
Lot 12 silver 250
950

Please send me a bill for these items and I will have
a check sent you

Am returning the coins I am not keeping

November 18th, 1918.

Mr. Henry Chapman,
333 South 16th Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Henry:-

Mr. Newell, the other day, sent me on certain coins which we probably will keep, and which we later received an invoice from you. Mr. Newell also sent us two lots of Oriental coins Nos. 57 and 59. Do you care about making a price for individual coins in both of these lots as there are some that we did not care about? Also please give me your bottom price for all of the coins, that is the five coins you billed and the two lots. The eighteen Siamese coins in our estimation are entirely too high considering their condition and everything, but we would be very glad to consider them at a price.

Your other letter concerning the paper money I can not give you a reply to just now but will let you know later.

Very truly yours,

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November 18th, 1918.

Mr. Howland Wood,
Dear Howland,

I am sorry not to be able to divide up the lots as I would like to please you if possible but I do not know what the coins are worth separately. The Armenian coins instead of being high, I consider them cheap as frequently I have seen them marked as high as 10 Marks each. I do not see where I could reduce the prices much as I would like to.

Yours very truly,

Henry Chapman

I send herewith three oriental coins the lot for
Lot of 13 pcs. silver,
Armenia, 18 pcs,

\$1.50
2.50
12.

November 25th, 1918

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 South 16th Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Henry:-

I am keeping the following coins:-

Armenia	@	\$2.50
Morocco	"	2.00
Singapore	"	2.50
Lot 13 Silver	"	<u>2.50</u>
		\$9.50

Please send me a bill for these items and I will have
a check sent you. The coins I am not keeping are being forwarded
under separate cover.

Yours very truly,

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February 10th, 1919.

Mr. Howland Wood,

Dear Howland,

Have you one of the Victor Brenner Lincoln Medals, reverse, eagle on cliff? If not, do you know where I can get one? Am I right in the idea that Brenner is deceased? Have you ever found out if we can make the exchange of the Mass. 1744, 9 pence note? I have recently added several previously unknown notes to my collection.

Brenner is not dead Yours very truly,
do you know his address. Henry Chapman
also Mr Sanford Saltus.

February 11th, 1919.

Mr. Henry Chapman,
333 South 16th Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Henry:-

We have not a duplicate of Brenner's Lincoln medal with the eagle on the cliff. As Brenner is still alive you might write to him - Victor D. Brenner, 30 East 20th Street, New York City.

Mr. Saltus' address is for the time being Tampa Bay Hotel, Tampa, Florida. As he is one the move you had better write to him right away.

The Council has met but twice since you asked about exchanging the paper money, and each time they had more business than they could attend to. I have not had a chance to present your request to them. I feel very certain that they can not act on it as that note belonged to a collection that was given us a few years ago with the understanding that it be kept intact.

I have been away the past week and only returned home yesterday. I have only been able to just glance at the coins you sent on the other day which I picked out when in Philadelphia. I will return shortly the Sengolica 8 reals as this is considerable more than I care to give for it.

Yours very truly,

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April 30th, 1919.

Mr. Howland Wood,

Dear Howland,

Your letter addressed to 1348 Pine St. received. Kindly note we have moved and are not going back. No doubt Mr. Mue is correct though I have no recollection of it as I have always asked \$100 for this medal. However, it is possible I made him a special price to him and I will not go back of it. If you wish it at \$75 I will let you have it at that price.

Yours very truly,

Henry Chapman

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Mr. Howland Wood,

Dear Howland,

I am sending by parcel post to-day a few coins which I would thank you to attribute for me and return by parcel post insured for \$5. You will find postage enclosed. Will you kindly use the stamp I am enclosing, also return the stamp on the package as I wish to keep them.

The lot of 44 I do not want you to attribute. They are going to be sold as a lot in a coming sale. Should there be any pieces among them that you would like to be sold separately if you will keep them separate and attribute them for me, I shall be glad to have them sold in one lot. I am sending: 2 coppers of Union, 1 mill dollar, 1 silver rye, 1 silver seal, 1 silver copper and 40 Oriental coppers. *✓ Mexican coin MYA - what means this?*

Yours very truly,

Henry Chapman

P. S. I expect to go to New York on the 15th inst. to attend the sale at Anderson's gallery. If you can send the above there on that day, I can bring them with me. *or let them at Anderson's. Should I not be there.*

5TH November, 1928

Mr. Henry Chapman,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

Unfortunately, we have not had for a
number of years copies of the Drake medal in either
silver or bronze.

Very truly yours,

Curator

Dear Howard -

Can you attribute
the smoldered gold coin
If you want to buy
I have some offer

With all loving thanks
Sincerely

R For _____ 19

[Handwritten signature]

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March 22, 1930

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 S. 16th St.
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

Your gold coin belongs to the series of Mongols of Persia, struck by Gahzan Mahmood, about 1300 A.D. As the date appears to be unreadable and has a loop, I will offer you \$7.50 for the piece.

Yours very truly,

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BELL PHONE, PENNYPACKER 7752

March 31st, 1930.

Mr. Howland Wood,
New York City.

Dear Sir,

Your letter containing attribution of Persian coin received and I thank you very much for same. Have submitted your offer to the owner but have not heard from him as yet.

Yours very truly,

Henry Chapman

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9.2.9.30

Howland Wood Esq

Dear Howland:

Will you please attribute the enclosed gold coin
returning it in enclosed envelope.

I thank you and will feel much obliged.

Sincerely
Henry Chapman

Oct. 10, 1930

Henry Chapman, Esq.

333 S. 16th St.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

Your letter with the pencil notation that you had sent me a few days previously, a gold coin for attribution, is at hand, but as yet the gold coin has not arrived.

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December 6th, 1930.

Mr. Howland Wood,
New York City.

Dear Howland,

I have a customer for Indian Peace medals. Have you any duplicates belonging to the Society or know of any I could purchase? I am willing to pay a fair price for them.

In your Colonial notes collection have you any duplicates you would sell? If so, will you send me a list or if I am in New York next week can you show them to me. I rather expect to be there Friday and Saturday. Of course I can come up to the Society rooms.

Hope this finds you well.

Yours very truly,

Henry Chapman

Dec. 9, 1930

Mr. Henry Chapman
633 South Sixteenth Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Chapman.

The only duplicate we have on hand now of an Indian Peace
a medal is/badly worn Monroe medal. All the lettering shows up. It has
evidently been worn by an Indian for many years. I am enclosing a
rubbing which does not show up as well as it might. You can have this
piece for fifteen dollars. I may have a Van Buren, middle size, later.
We have no duplicates of Colonial notes.

Sincerely yours,

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December 10th, 1930.

Mr. Howland Wood,
New York City.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of 9th received. We are enclosing check for \$15. to pay for the Monroe medal. Will you kindly send it to me care of my daughter, Mrs. Francis E. Judson, Apt. 9-E, 60 East 96th St., N. Y. C. I will be obliged if you will get it off so I may receive it on Friday morning.

Yours very truly,

Henry Chapman

*If you have any
pedigree with this
medal please advise me*

Dec. 11, 1930

Mr. Henry Chapman

c/o Mrs. Francis E. Judson

60 East 96th Street

New York City

Dear Mr. Chapman:

I am herewith enclosing the Monroe Medal as per your request.

Very truly yours,

Curator.

April 13, 1932.

Mr. Henry Chapman
5333 South 16th Street
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

By any chance do you have any larins, that is wire money, either the straight ones or those curved like a fish hook? If so, would you mind sending on approval what you may have. I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

HE:JG

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April 17th, 1900.

Mr. Howland Wood,
New York City.

Dear Howland,

I regret to say I only have one piece of the wire money which I enclose herewith at \$1. On approval of course.

I also enclose a coin which I will be obliged if you will attribute for me if not too much trouble. I enclose stamp for reply.

Yours very truly,

Henry Chapman

P. S. Wire money

\$1.

April 10, 1932.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 South 16th Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

Your favor at hand and I
am returning the wire money as it is the
most common form. We have many of these.
Your piece is so badly worn that the in-
scription does not show well.

The other coin I am at-
tributing for you and herewith I am return-
ing it. Unfortunately the complete date is
gone.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

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BELL PHONE, PENNYPACKER 7752

July 25th, 1872.

Mr. Howland Esq.,
New York City.

Dear Howland,

I have about 30 Sassanian coins which need attributing. As a life member of the A. N. S. am I entitled to have these attributed if I send them?

I do not wish to under-value your services but I would like to have them attributed and do not want to spend any money on them as we rarely have a sale.

Yours very truly,

Henry Chapman

July 30, 1932.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 South Sixteenth Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Henry:

I am afraid I can give you very little help on your Sassanian coins as I have never given these any study. I would probably have to send them to someone who is acquainted with this series. Probably they would charge ten or fifteen cents each for doing them.

As you have brought up the question whether as a member of our Society you are entitled to have these attributed for nothing, all I can say is membership does not entitle one to this privilege. We are all the time attributing coins but where there are one or two we make no charge. If it involves any amount of work or if there are a large number we have to charge, as all of us here can keep continuously busy on the Society's things. Of course we always have and always will be pleased to do service to our members; in fact are glad to do it but as there have been instances in the past where a person joining the Society has thought he could get gratis anytimes his dues we have to be on our guard against just these things. As I have said before I am always glad to attribute or advise you on odd coins etc.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

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BELL PHONE, PENNYPACKER 7752

August 24th, 1932.

Mr. Howland Wood
New York City.

Dear Howland,

I enclose rubbings of two silver pieces which I would like to know something about. Can you help me? I have always thought they were ~~not~~ tellurian.
Can you tell me whether or not Mr. Newell is at home?

Thanking you for the courtesy,

Yours very truly,

Henry Chapman



August 10, 1932.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 South Sixteenth Street
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

The pieces of which you sent rubbings are modern talismen. I have seen a good many of these in recent years. I think they have been brought back by tourists. As far as I know they have no value. Mr. Newell is still in the country and will be there for some time; in fact, he stays until frozen out.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

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11.27.1932

Dear Howland

Will you please do me the favor to attribute
these 3 coins. Enclose stamp.

Could you attribute about 10 Early Armenian coins for me?

I thank you very much for the above favor.

Would you like copy of my sale Cat. Nov 1918?
or did you receive it?

Yours very truly
Henry Chapman

November 28, 1932.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 S. 16th St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

Your letter with the three coins at hand and I have attributed them and am herewith returning them. Send on the early Arsenian coins and I will see what I can do with them. We have several books on these coins and I guess I can make them out.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator

December 5, 1932.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 South 16th Street
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

I have attributed all of your Armenian coins and I am sending them back by parcel post insured. There are three we would like to have and I have put a red dot in the corner of the envelope. They are 5, 6 and 20. No. 6 I have never seen before. It is a modern fake, evidently made to sell to Armenians for a souvenir.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

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Mr. Howland Wood,
New York City.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed find rubbing of a Chinese gold coin. The man who owns it tells me there were only two made and that the one whose portrait is on them was beheaded. Would you be interested in it and what would be your offer for such a coin? Shall be glad to hear from you?

Yours very truly,

Henry Chapman

Tathum dollar struck in gold by Yuan Shih Kai
in preparation of his plans to become emperor.
Have seen several of these in gold.



December 27, 1932.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 South Sixteenth St.
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

The piece of which you send a rubbing is a gold impression of a pattern silver dollar, struck by Yuan Shih Ki when President of the Chinese Republic, in preparation for some abortive plans of his to become emperor. He must have struck a great many as the silver dollars are not rare. The gold gift pieces may or may not be rare. I have seen several and do not care for this as it is not a coin.

Did you receive the Armenian coins that I returned? Also, you did not answer the questions in my last letter.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

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12-30-32
Dear Howard Wood
Your letter received
The American coins were duly received and
I am greatly obliged for the attributions.
A letter from me to you Dec 7 seems to have
been lost - it contained nos 1 & 2 nos 3 and
on expressing a desire for no 6 it was sent
with the others with my compliments is no 6 - the two
others 3 if you wish. Please make search for this
letter - please your P.O. station & they may have it.
Will report if they turn up. Best regards for 1933
Yours sincerely Henry Chapman

December 31, 1932.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 S. 16th St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

The letter with the Armenian coins that you sent on December 9th has not been received here. They must have been either lost or stolen in the mails. Unless you registered or insured them I doubt if anything can be done about it. Our local post office Station M do not have that letter. I am very sorry they have become lost.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

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December 13th, 1933.

Dear Howland,

Just bought a large collection of Mexican coins and have the following Revolutionary pieces. Should there be any you desire I will be glad to send them. I seem to have one which you do not have in your book which I am enclosing herewith. Copper 2c. of 1915, very fine. I have Nos. 77,¹⁰ 81,¹⁰ 85,¹⁰ 96,¹⁰ 150,¹⁰ 156,¹⁰ 158c,¹⁰ 161,¹⁰ 164,¹⁰ 171,¹⁰ 174.¹⁰ As I am unaware of the value of these pieces, will you let me know what is a fair retail price for them? I enclose a stamp for your reply.

At your convenience will you hand to Mr. Newell the enclosed envelope. Do you collect the coins of Mexico and other South American countries of various denominations from $\frac{1}{2}$ to 8 real? If so I have a number of them.

In the collection were two casts, apparently fakes, 8 Real pieces of Morelos 1811 and 1812. Both are crudely made but apparently in silver; also one oblong hexagonal shape of 1811 with the Mint mark Ho and REI in silver. I have always looked upon this as a fraud but now comes another specimen in this collection from Mexico City. You will probably know the piece. I enclose a rubbing. If there are any you would like to see I will gladly send them over.

Thanking you for the courtesy, I am,

Yours very truly,

Henry Chapman

11. 94, 150, 152, 164,
3. 10 25 25 25 25 25

December 16, 1933.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 S. 16th St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

I happen to have all of the Mexican Revolutionary coins that you list in your letter. The two centavo piece I did not list because at the time I considered it a governmental issue. It has been listed in the Mexican edition. It was struck in Mexico by Zapata while he was at the capital. It also comes in a one centavo. As for the value of the Mexican pieces today I cannot give you much encouragement. All that would collect have got about all they want. Raymond tells me that those he offered in one of the Scott price lists fell flat - there was no call for them. I am herewith giving the price quoted in Mexico for the numbers you mention:

77.	.	.	.	.	\$1.50
81.	.	..	.	.	3.50
95.	.	.	.	.	.50
96.	.	.	.	.	.75
150.	.	.	.	.	1.00
156.	.	.	.	.	.50
158c	.	.	.	.	.35
161, 164, 171, each @	.	.	.	.	.25
174.	.	.	.	.	.50

As for the coins of Mexico and South America we have a good representative collection of these and I doubt if we would care to buy any at the present time. The large silver coins of Morellos that are cast I consider fakes. Someone told me once they were made in Germany in the '70's. The oblong hexagonal piece which bears the date 1611 not 1811 I now consider genuine. They come both in pesos and half pesos and were probably a local issue for some special purpose, although I have never found any satisfactory accounts about them.

I handed your letter to Mr. Newell. I beg to remain

Very truly yours,

Dear Ireland

I am so glad to hear
from you

I thought to say that I was

very glad to hear from you

Page 118 & 119, page 119

I am so glad to hear from you

Yours truly
C. F. Mann

Dear Ireland & ...
I thought it best to ...
... in your illustration ...
Page 108 & 109 ...
... with ...
... C. S. ...



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mr. Robert H. ...
1244 ...
Cherry St.
Philadelphia, Pa.
19106

January 27, 1934.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 South 16th St.
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

I am sorry to say that we can use neither of the counterstamped gold pieces you have just written me about. I have heard you have been laid up and sorry to know this and trust that you will be on your feet again before long. Mr. Jewell at the present time is at Chalfonte-Haddon Hall, Atlantic City.

Very truly yours,

HW:JC

Curator

March 10, 1934.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 South 16th Street
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

Have you any of those engraved coins of Napoleon III, either in silver or copper, done after the Franco-Prussian War, showing the emperor with a German helmet, yachting cap, etc.? If so, would you mind sending them to me on approval. I only wish the engraved ones, not the pieces struck from dies afterwards.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator

April 26, 1934.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 South 16th St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

The rubbing of the Sassanian
coin does not look quite right to me. The
address is quite wrong and the lettering is not
convincing. I have sent the rubbing on to
Newell and you may hear from him.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator

May 1, 1934.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 South 16th St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

I was looking at the rubbing
of your Sasanian coin again and if you don't
mind I would like to have you send it on so
I can examine it better and also show it to
Mr. Newell who will be in New York in a few
days.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

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May 2nd, 1934.

Mr. Howland Wood,
New York City.

Dear Sir,

Your letter received and we are sending herewith the Sassanian coin for your inspection.

Yours very truly,

Henry Chapman

How much

May 11, 1934.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 South 16th St.
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

I should have acknowledged before this the receipt of your Sassanian coin. It is genuine and agrees with the coins issued by Jezdegard I. Although battered on one side we do not happen to have it. Please let me know what you want for it. I am holding it here until I hear from you.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

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Dear Howland

*The Call. I had offered it before seeing it in your hands
it & so he was first in the field I feel he should have it so
please return it stamp enclosed.*

*Yours Truly
Henry Chapman*

522 Bx

May 25, 1934.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 S. 16th St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Chapman:

As per your request I am
herewith enclosing the Sassanian coin.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator

Dear Mr. Wood,

The coin received and
Many thanks for the attribution.

Yours Truly

Henry Chapman

May 27th 1934



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mr Howland Wood
Broadway ^{between 155th & 156th Sts,}
New York City,
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10.13.1934

Howard Wood & Co. BELL PHONE

Dear Howard,

It is an old collection purchased today is
is a very old pine I take to be Cambodian - probably very
old. Price \$2. If you can attribute it to some wood I should
be glad to have it done and thank you very much.
It appears to me to be a Paradi tree & a large one.
Stamp enclosed. With best regards from
J. H. H.

In some of
Mexico. C. m. h. n. a

10 Oct 1915
Teg. firm
EJERCITO CONSTITUCIONALISTA

George C. K. M. M.

I have Napoleon I 5 Jrs 1811
Commemorated with owls head on head of Nap
His eye punched with a very good
I heard once the military of his mutilation

October 15, 1934.

Mr. Henry Chapman
333 S. 16th St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Henry:

I am keeping the little piece and I am enclosing check for \$2.00. I have no idea what it is. It is not Cambodian and is undoubtedly from one of the Malay states, such as Singora or Tringannu. I have the ten cent Chihuhua, Mexico. Also I have several of those pieces of Napoleon with the owl's head and his eye gashed out by a small chisel. It is thought that the Vendeeans did this. They are rather scarce.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator

My Dear Mr. Wood,

It is with deep regret I have to ~~inform~~
inform you of the passing from this life of Mr. Chapman.
The funeral will be held at 2 P. M. Monday next at
335 South 16th St.,

Yours very truly,

E. V. Bright

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May 11th, 1935.

Mr. Howland Wood,
New York City.

My Dear Mr. Wood,

We have a letter from a collector who has one of the Japanese gold coins, oval in shape, $2\frac{3}{8} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ inches. He says he has had it tested and it is 18 carat gold. Has five different circular designs on the back. He would like to know what the denomination is, any history we can give him and what it is worth. Can you supply me with this information?

I shall appreciate it very much if you will give the above information and oblige.

Yours very truly,

HENRY CHAPMAN

BY *Ella B. Wright*

May 15, 1935.

Henry Chapman
333 S. 16th St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Attention: Ella B. Wright

Dear Miss Wright:

The coin you write about is known as a koban. They began to be made in the 18th century but the piece of the size you mention was undoubtedly made in the first half of the 19th century. Its date can be only told by the reading of the five counter stamps on the reverse. The pieces are not at all rare and have sold from \$3.00 up. I think \$10.00 would be about the limit. They varied greatly in their purity but if the piece you mention is of 18 carat gold I should say it would be worth about the top figure I have given you. There seems to be a great lack of enthusiasm for these pieces in recent years. I am always glad to hear from you and the next time I get to Philadelphia will try to step in and see you.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator

November 29, 1937

Henry Chapman,
333 S. 16th Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Attention: Miss Wright

Dear Miss Wright:

I am herewith sending check for \$13.25 which covers the purchases made last Saturday.

I was very glad to have seen you once again and will try to drop in before many more years go by.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW s
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December 2nd, 1937

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Mr. Howland Wood,
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Dear Mr. Wood,

Your letter enclosing check for \$13.25 received for which we have given you credit. We thank you for same. It was very nice to see you again and Mrs. Chapman was quite disappointed she was not at home when you called.

Shall hope to have the pleasure of another visit before so long a time.

Yours very truly,

Ella B. Wright